

City of West Linn police station bond measure approved by voters

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WEST LINN - The City of West Linn is pleased with the results of Ballot Measure 3-377 which, once certified by the County Elections Office, would authorize the issuance of up to \$8.5 million in general obligation bonds to allow for the acquisition, construction and furnishing of a new police station to be located at 8th Avenue and 13th Street. The construction of a new police station facility will allow the City to continue to provide its citizens with the highest level of police services possible.

Special thanks offered to citizen's committee

The success of this bond measure is due in large part to the extraordinary efforts of the 16-member "Community Police Facility Development Committee". The City Manager appointed and the City Council tasked this Committee of citizen volunteers with the job of reviewing the issues and developing a recommendation for a new cost-effective police station facility that would be supported by the voters. The Committee met nine times over a four month period and made their formal recommendations to the City Council in December of last year. They reviewed over a dozen potential sites, researched alternative design and finance options and crafted an outreach and communication strategy that lead to the successful passing of this bond measure. The Committee members included:

Bill Hill (Co-Chair)
Karen Hensley (Co-Chair)
Troy Bowers
Phil Bransom
Michele Eberle
Dale Fortuna
Thomas Frank
Glen Friedman
Ray Kindley
Grant Oakes
Midge Pierce
Dennis Richey
Jack Snook
Ron Whitehead
Chris Yarco
Terri Zagone

"It was the tireless efforts of our citizen volunteers that really allowed this measure to pass. They are ones who stepped up to the plate and made personal commitments for the betterment of our community", said Mayor John Kovash.

The City Council expresses its gratitude to this group and to every citizen that voted to pass this measure. This investment in the City's future assures that the West Linn Police Department will continue to provide our citizens with the exemplary level of police services that our citizens have come to expect.

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